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Long Term Lease with Caltrans for the Wiseburn Walking Path

The unincorporated community of Wiseburn is currently devoid of any open or green space. The closest park operated by the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation is Del Aire Park, which is separated from the Wiseburn neighborhood by the I-405 freeway and El Segundo Boulevard.

For many years, residents of Wiseburn have looked for opportunities to develop local recreational amenities. After exploring multiple sites, residents have focused their attention on the development of a walking path which would run west of South La Cienega Boulevard from 130th Street to 139th Street on property that is owned and operated by Caltrans.

The proposed Wiseburn Walking Path (walking path) will consist of a decomposed gravel walking path that meanders over three-quarters of a mile. Site amenities along the walking path will include, but not be limited to, landscaping, fitness zones, benches, and lighting. The walking path will provide multi-functional benefits to the residents of Wiseburn, including a connection at 135th Street to the City of Hawthorne's Glasgow Park, thereby giving residents a safer and more attractive opportunity for combined use and longer walks.

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In order to proceed with the development of the walking path, the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation must enter into a long-term lease with the California State Department of Transportation.

I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

- Delegate authority to the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation to enter into a ten-year lease agreement, subject to County Counsel review and approval, with the California State Department of Transportation for the Wiseburn Walking Path property, which runs west of South La Cienega Boulevard from 130th Street to 139th Street in the unincorporated community of Wiseburn; and
- Delegate authority to the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation to enter into two additional five-year lease renewal options with the California State Department of Transportation for the Wiseburn Walking Path property.

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